

**NOTICE OF PROPOSAL BY SUNDERLAND CITY COUNCIL TO DISCONTINUE HYLTON RED HOUSE PRIMARY SCHOOL (4-11) AND TO DISCONTINUE BISHOP HARLAND CHURCH OF ENGLAND VOLUNTARY AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL (3-11)**

Notice is given in accordance with Section 15(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006, that Sunderland City Council of P.O. Box 101, Civic Centre, Sunderland, SR2 7DN proposes to discontinue Hylton Red House Primary School, Rotherham Road, Red House, Sunderland, SR5 5QL and also proposes to discontinue Bishop Harland Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School, Ramillies Road, Red House, Sunderland, SR5 5JA. It is proposed to discontinue both schools on 31st August 2013.

All applicable statutory consultation requirements in relation to these proposals have been complied with.

It is proposed that the pupils from the two schools proposed for discontinuance will attend a new Voluntary Aided Church of England Primary School located on the Hylton Red House Primary School site within the existing building. The Diocese of Durham Board of Finance have published a related Notice of Proposal for the establishment of the new school from 1st September 2013. Admission may also be sought to other schools.

The needs of pupils with special educational needs will be met within the proposed new school, or in an alternative school if parents exercise their right to express a preference for a different school. It is believed that the proposals are likely to lead to improvements in the standard, quality and range of educational provisions for all pupils including those with special educational needs as the budget for the proposed new school will reflect the school operating at full or near full capacity, affording the school with great stability and flexibility to respond to the needs of pupils. The school will provide local authority commissioned places for up to 10 children with language difficulties.

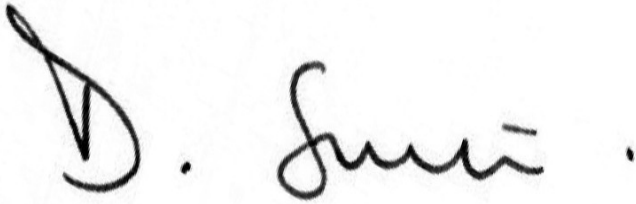
As the proposed new school is 0.56 of a mile from Bishop Harland CE VA Primary School, there are no proposals to provide transport for the displaced pupils. Travel plans will be put into place to minimise any additional car use. Access and parking arrangements at the new school will also be reviewed.

This notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal can be obtained from Alan Rowan, Sandhill Centre, Grindon Lane, Sunderland SR3 4EN or on 0191 561 1372 or by email to [alan.rowan@sunderland.gov.uk](mailto:alan.rowan@sunderland.gov.uk).

Within six weeks from the date of publication of these proposals, any person may object to or make comments on the proposals by sending them to the Executive Director of Children's Services, Sunderland City Council, P.O. Box 101, Civic Centre, Sunderland, SR2 7DN.

## Explanatory Notes

The capacity of the proposed new school will be 525 places which will be sufficient to accommodate all existing and projected pupils from the two existing schools. Nursery aged children from Bishop Harland CE School will be accommodated at Hylton Red House Nursery School which is on a site adjacent to Hylton Red House Primary School. The school will serve its local community welcoming children of all faiths and of no faith, and children of all abilities. No priority will be given to children from Church of England families, or to children from the wider Christian community. When necessary, the Local authority's oversubscription criteria will be applied.

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Signed: David Smith, Chief Executive, Sunderland City Council

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